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Shipping Weight and Value; Customs District and Continent

This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. Customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The Customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by airvalued at \$1.5 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of Customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Classification of U.S. Customs Districts and Ports for U.S. Foreign Trade Statistics, January 1, 1974 edition, as amended

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such with U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

The value reported in the export statistics generally is equivalent to a f.a.s. (free alongside ship) value at the U.S. port of export, based on the transaction price, including inland freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in placing the merchandise alongside the carrier at the U.S. port of exportation.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual Customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

The statistics on exports of domestic and foreign merchandise to countries other than Canada reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$500 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$499, based on a 50-percent probability sample of such shipments. For exports to Canada the statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments valued \$2,000 and over combined with estimated data for shipments valued \$251-\$1,999, based on a 10-percent probability sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under \$251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual Customs districts.

Since the export figures shown include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The table on the following page provides a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability of value totals, on a 2 chances out of 3 basis. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Inquiries concerning these figures should be addressed to the Chief, Foreign Trade Division, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D.C. 20233. Tel: Area Code 301, 763-5140.



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Value totals for	1 -	with ty of:		
America" of:		under 5%		
\$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
\$500,000-\$1,000,000	.20	1.00		
\$100,000-\$500,000	.30	.45	.70	1.00
\$20,000-\$100,000		.35	.70	1.00
Cclls of under \$20,000	varia	kely to bility 5,000		

Value totals for continents of South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Africa of:	Are likely to have sampling variability of:
\$300,000 and over	Less than 2%
\$100,000-\$300,000	Less than 5% with over half of the totals less than 2%
\$20,000-\$100,000	Generally less than 10% with over half of the totals less than 5%
Under \$20,000	Generally \$500 to \$5,000
Cells of \$0	Generally less than \$500

The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report. but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The Customs value shown in this report represents the value of imports as appraised by the U.S. Customs Service in accordance with the legal requirements of Sections 402 and 402a of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. It may be based on the foreign market value, export value, constructed value, American selling price, etc. It generally represents a value in the foreign country, and therefore excludes U.S. import duties, freight, insurance, and other charges incurred in bringing the merchandise to the United States. This valuation is primarily used for collection of import duties and frequently does not reflect the actual transaction value.

The statistics shown for individual Customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued \$251 and over. Data for shipments valued under \$251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under \$251), are estimated from a 1-percent sample for 1974. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under \$251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of \$500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under \$500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than \$50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under \$251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

25,968 Z Less Australia and Oceania 11,918 16,542 (Z) 2,725 (D) 35,708 10,798 1,035 14,718 3,659 829 3,024 261,118 104,116 81,743 311 1,891 157 59,834 Asia Not applicable, 2,563 10,563 12,635 52,122 466 1,149 16,693 (D) 213,195 3,891 35 16,564 841 Value (1,000 dol! 3,583 - 652 482 82,214 341 (D) South America 37,018 Not available. 19,123 ,084 6,383 690 12,778 (D) North America 6,027 111,685 52,374 1,674 4,615 1,845 1,672 (NA) 7,009 189,618 U.S. flag carriers 3,359 14,043 989 1,150,153 123,746 104,371 86,067 reasons. 2,998 47 233 (2) (2) 56 8 1 4 15 Africa for security Australia and Oceania 307 - 86 withheld to avoid disclosure of information 3,207 Shipping weight (1,000 pounds) 2,145 63,073 21,694 (Z) Europe 1,912 (D) 230 South America 18,536 493 247 21 236 24,485 974 North America 16 256 3,618 132 5,393 NA) 537 8 ,263 15,288 D Data 9,248 All 241 575 60 100 867 672 664 134,582 18, Tampa, Fla..... Nogales, Ariz..... Chicago, Ill...... Louis, Mo..... Mismi, Fla..... All other districts.... Special Category..... New York City, N.Y Philadelphia, Pa..... Baltimore, Md...... Charleston, S.C..... New Orleans, La..... Laredo, Tex.... Anchorage, Alaska..... Honolulu, Hawaii..... Great Falls, Mont..... Detroit, Mich..... San Juan, P.R. Houston, Tex..... Washington, D.C.... - Represents zero. than 500 pounds or \$500, Bridgeport, Conn.... Savannah, Ga..... Mobile, Ala..... El Paso, Tex.... Seattle, Wash..... Pembina, N. Dak.... U.S. flag carriers.... Ogdensburg, N.Y..... Buffalo, N.Y San Francisco, Calif ... Portland, Oreg..... Minneapolis, Minn.... Customs district

Z Leas than 500 pounds or \$500.

X Not applicable,

NA Not available.

- Represents zero.

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Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under \$25) are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

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	lai	U.S. flag carriers	(x)	350,144	6,161	7	250	2,546	204	2,812	2/3	4 406	614	523	1	16	120	405	44	39,111	43,047	31	12,963	12	1,863	176	218	1,314	8,376	21,883	151	115	1,404	11,801	847	13,277	91	(NA)
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		Customs district	Total, all carriers	U.S. flag carriers	Boston, Mass	Bridgeport, Conn	Ogdensburg, N.Y	Buffalo, N.Y	New York City, N.Y	Philadelphia, pa	Baltimore, Md	Wilmington, N.C	Savannah Ga	o Ca	Mohilo Ale	New Orleans Is	Taredo Tok	El Paso, Tex	Nogales, Ariz.	Los Angeles, Calif	San Francisco, Calif	Portland, Oreg	Seattle, Wash	Anchorage, Alaska	Honolulu, Hawaii	Great Fails, Mont	Pambina, N. Dak	Minnespolis, Minn	Detroit, Mich	Chicago, 111	Cleveland, Ohio	St. Louis, Mo	San Juan, P.R	Mismi, Fla	Houston, Tex	Washington, D.C	All other districts	Shipments under \$251